VIRGINIA'S DISTRICTS

UNDER THE NEW APPORTIONMENT.

Mow the Ten New Congressional Districts Will Be Hade Up-A Humorous Aspect of the New Bill-Other Interesting Old Bominion Notes.

Special to THE REPUBLICAN, RICHMOND, Va., March 1.—The Readjusters have agreed in caucus on their new apportionment bill for the redistricting of the State for congressional Representatives. The bill was introduced by Senator Elliott, of Appomattox, and placed on the calendar; but it escaped the notice not only of the Senate, but also of the watchful re-porters of the press. Virginia is the first State that will reapportion under the new census and the provisions of the new congressional apportion-ment bill. The State, which formerly was divided into nine congressional districts, is now made to contain ten, giving Virginia one additional Representative in the National Legislature. By the bill introduced yesterday in the senate the State will give the Readjusters, or Coalition party, eight Representatives out of the ten to be elected. The remaining two are given to the Democrats, or Funders. Under the old, or Democratic apportionment, the State was designed to return saven. ment, the State was designed to return seven Democrats and two Republicans when there was anything like a free ballot and a fair count. During the terms filled by Mr. John Goode, from the Second District, Virginia was represented by eight Democrats and one Republican. THE NEWLY APPORTIONED DISTRICTS.

The new bill apportions as follows:
The First District, consisting of the counties of Stafford, King George, Spotsylvania, Westmore, William land, Caroline, Essex, Richmond, King William, Northumberland, King and Queen, Lancaster, Middlesex, Gloucester, Matthews, York, and the city of Fredericksburg, with a population of about 181,500, will give a Readjuster majority of about

1,000. The Second District, consisting of the counties of Warwick, Elizabeth City, Surrey, Isle of Wight, Nansemond, Norfolk, Princess Anne, Accomac, Northampton, and the cities of Norfolk and Ports-mouth, with a population of 156,300, will give a Readjuster majority of about 2,500.

The Third District, consisting of the counties of Henry, Chesterfield, Powhatan, Amelia, New

Kent, Charles City, James City, Nottoway, and the cities of Manchester, Richmond, and Williams-burg, with a population of 152,000, will give a Re-adjuster majority of about 1,000.

The Fourth District, consisting of the counties of Prince George, Dinwiddie, Sussex, Lunenberg, Brunswick, Greenville, Mecklenburg, Southampton, and the city of Petersburg, with a population c : 183,000, will give a Readjuster majority of about The Fifth District, consisting of the counties of

Alleghany, Craig, Solestourt, Rosanske, Mont-gomery, Franklin, Floyd, Carroll, Grayson, Patrick, and Henry, with a population of 140,700, will give a Readjuster majority of 1,300.

The Sixth District, with the counties of Albemarie, Nelson, Amherst, Bedford, Campbell, Pitt-

sylvania, and the cities of Lynchburg and Dan-ville, with a population of 185,000, will give a Democratic or Funder majority of about 3,500. The Seventh District, with the counties of Shenandoah, Page, Rockbridge, Madison, Greene, Augusta, Highland, Bath, Rockingham, and the city of Staunton, with a population of 138,000, will

give a Readjuster majority of about 1,200. The Eighth District, consisting of the counties of Frederick, Clarke, Loudous, Warren, Fanquier, Fairfax, Prince William, Rappahannock, Cul-peper, Orange, Alexandria, and the cities of Alex-andria and Winchester, with a population of 160,000, will give a Democratic majority of nearly 5,000.

The Ninth District, consisting of the counties of

Giles, Bland, Tazewell, Pulaski, Wythe, Smythe Buchanan, Russell, Wise, Dickenson, Lee, Scott, and Washington, with a population of 149,000, will give a Readjuster majority of about 5,500.

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The Tenth District, composed of the counties of Louisa, Hanover, Fluvanna, Goochiand, Cumber-Land, Buckingham, Appenanto'x, Prince Edward, Charlotte, and Halifax, with a population of 189, 600, will give a Readjuster majority of about 230.

This apportionment gives the Sixth and Eighth Districts to the Democrats, and the other eight to the Readjusters of Coalitionists. One of the humorous aspects of the new bill in the number of Congressional aspirants that are thrown into the Sixth District, at present represented by Mr. Randolph Tucker. These are Tucker himself, Mr. Robert Coghill, Mr. Cabell, Mr. John W. Daniel, Democrats, and Mr. J. T. Stovail, and Mr. John E. Massey, Readjusters. The latter was the latte first auditor.

A SCHOONER'S CHEW SAVED.

The Signal Corps station at Chincoteague, Va, 7eports the three-masted schooner Hannah M.

The Signal Corps station at Chincoteague, Va., reports the three-masted schooner Hannah M. Lollis, of Wilmington, Del., with lumber from Savannah to New York, ashore at four o'clock this morning about fifteen miles north of here. The erew of eight men were all taken off by the life

ARREST OF A PUGITIVE. A man giving the name of Michael Howard wa arrested here last night by Police Officer Parkin-son, as a fugitive from justice from Cohoes, N. Y. From the description received by the Richmond police the prisoner is supposed to be Patrick Glynn, who is charged with the murder of a Mr. Dunham in Cohoes last August, and for whose arrest a reward is offered. Glynn (alias Howard) was to-day committed to jail by the police justice for ten days, to await identification and requisi-

MR. RIDDLEBERGER'S MOTION. A joint resolution introduced by Mr. Riddle-berger in the senate to extend the present session of the Legislature was defeated to-day by a vote

AN EXTRA SESSION WANTED. Petitions are being circulated for signatures of members of the General Assembly requesting the Governor to call an extra session of that body. Had Senator Riddleberger's resolution to extend the session prevailed members would have re ceived no pay for the extension, but if the Gov ernor calls an extra session they will be entitled

No Executive Session-Mr. Conkling. held yesterday afternoon for the purpose of taking action on the nomination of Mr. Conkling and on or two others of importance; but Mr. Hoar's speech on the Chinese question occupied so much more time than was anticipated that the usual hour for adjournment had arrived before its termination. For this reason the movement for an executive session yesterday was abandoned. It is probable that the Senate will proceed to the con sideration

first the Senate will proceed to the consideration of executive business at an early hour to-day.

Ex-Senator Conkling is expected to arrive here this morning, and it is supposed that his visit has some connection with the pending nomination for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court. His gtated, on excellent authority that the President hands are received any intimation from Mr. Cont. has not received any intimation from Mr. Conkling that he will not accept the position on the Supreme bench to which he has just been nomi-

Providing for a Democratic Bourbon.
Mr. Candler, a Republican member of Massachusetts from the Committee on Accounts yesterday reported in the House a resolution authorizing the appointment of C. W. Coombs, a Democratic Bourbon, as a Department messenger. This resolution met with a good deal of opposition from the Re-publican side, Mr. Moore, of Tennessee, contendng that it appointed an officer who not only was not wanted, but who was a Democrat. Mr. Dingle of Maine, moved to lay the resolution on the tabl Lost-yeas, 83; nays, 134. The resolution was then

Against Kentucky Rourbonism.
Lousville, March 1.—The Democrats who were
in the Union army, or who were of Union sentiments during the war, besides those who are against the present recognized Democratic organ-ization of the State as represented in the State convention at Frankfort on January II, met in convention at Frankfort on January II, met in mass convention last night at the Masonic Temple in this city. They adopted a preamble, resolutions, and platform, and ratified his late nomination of colonel R. Y. Jacob, the caudidate for cherk of the Court of Appeals. The meeting was addressed by Colonel J. H. Mchenry, Colonel R. Y. Jacob, Colonel Lacob S. Gothaday, Colonel Mark Mundy, Major Kilmey, and Captain Mice Boland. The audience was a large one and quite enthusication and many of them are confidently predictions.

Utien's Semi-Centennini. UTICA, N. Y., March 1.—Utica celebrated its semi-centennial this evening by a large gathering at the Clty Opera-House. Addresses were made by ex-Senator Kerman, William J. Dacon, Ellis H. Rob-cris, General James McQuade, Rev. Dr. I. S. Hart-ley, Walley B. Camp of Sackett's Harbor, B. R. Bart of Oswego, Thomas Allen Clark of Yenkers, and others.

and many of them are confidently coss for their ticket in August next.

A NEW WATER-WAY.

Action of the Board of Trade of Baltimor on the Canal.

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Baltimons. Mp., March 1.—The board of trade of this city have prepared a circular-letter to be sent to the Governors of States and to the different commercial bodies of the country, for the purpose of soliciting their active co-operation in furthering the bill now before Congress to connect by canal the water of the Chesapenke and Delaware Bays, as follows: "We feel that the general important of this ent-off to the sea has not been fully considered or estimated by your body, otherfully otnoi.lered or estimated by your body, other-wise this appeal would be uncalled for. It is not a local interest. It is entirely unional. The blasts of Hell Gate, the Eads jettles, or the im-

blasts of Heil Gete, the Eads jettles, or the improvements of the Mississippi River, necessary and proper as they are, do not more fully demand the attention of Congress. As a military and commercial enterprise it is pre-eminent.

Was sorely felt during the Revolution, the war of INU, and during our late eight strife, while of late several routes have been surveyed by United States army engineers, and their reports to the Secretary of War class it as a military want. We, however, more especially invite your investigation to its great commercial value, as shown by the accompanying reports. By this proposed estail all freights (helbding live stock) seeking ocean transportation to or from our shore, two hundred miles in distance, twenty-four hours (by steam) in line, with rectueed shortage and insurance, will be gained. The effect of this on ocean freight via other routes will readily be seen. We claim that its construction would soon give a return equal its original cost. A reasonable reduction of sixpence per quarter on breadstuffs and fifty cents per ton on provisions and other Western produce experted to Europe from the Atlantic ports for the fiscal year ended June last would be equal to \$4,750,000. On Cumberland, Pennsylvania, and Virginia coals suffree from Railimore to Eastern ports, \$200,000. Thus in these few prominent items of outbound

and from Battimore to Eastern ports, \$20,000
Thus in these few prominent items of outbound freight are shown possible annual savings to the producers of the country of about \$5,000,00, which apply equally to ocean freight seeking a Western, Northwestern, or Somthwestern market; aiss to the emigrant westward bound. Indeed, the interests and volume of commerce to be served and affected by this proposed canal directly reach and interest nearly every State in the Union, and we again ask that you will take early action on this work of general interest, and through your Senators and Representatives in Congress give us your resolous on operation in the effort to build this highway, demanded by the present and future greatness of the country." The letter will be accompassed by the ship-canal report made by the board of trade committee in 1889, and also by Colouel Creighill's last report and the maps showing the various routes surveyed.

THE CZARUS ASSASSSINS.

THE CZAR'S ASSASSINS.

They Are Sentenced to Beath-What Was Done by Counsel. Sr. Petensbung, March 1.—Those of the Nibilist

prisoners who were sentenced to be hanged are as follows: The woman Lebedeva and Michaeloff, Kolodkewitch, Trigoria, Baraniskoff, Hanoff, Klyetotschnikoff, Isuteff, Emilianoff, and Mereku-Kolodkewitch, Trigonia, Baraniakoff, Hanoff, Klyetotschnikoff, Isnieff, Emilianoff, and Merekuloff, all of whom were convicted of complicity in the assassination of the Czar. The rest of the prisoners were sentenced to indefinite terms of penal servinde, except Lustig, whose term is four years. Just before the Nilhilst prisoners were sentenced Klyetotschnikoff struck Merekuloff, who testified against several of the others in the hope of escaping sentence of death, on his car, saying: "Take that from your fellow-prisoner." It is reported that the sentences of death will be commuted to penal servinde. The addresses of the counsel for the prisoners were excellent. M. Alexandroff, the well-known counsel for Veru Sassulitch, defended Emilianoff in a brilliant address. He said the prisoners were linnorable and responsible, but in a certain respect diseased. He felt that if only regicide were excluded from their doctrines he and many others would fully share them. He said he was bound to bear witness that no torture had been practicedly extortonfessions from Emilianoff, but complained of the hateful system of conducting preliminary examinations in political cases by gendarmes. The president, interrupting, remarked that these examinations. M. Alexandroff replied that the procurator was probably hand in glove with the gendarmeric.

Ruin by the Floods.

St. Louis, Mo., March 1.—A gentleman here from Mississipppi County, in the southeastern part of the State, reports that over half of that county is under water, caused by the overflow of the

Similipox Ravages.

Captain Fyfic, commanding the United States steamer Temessee, reports from Hampton Roads, Virginia, under date of February 27, that no new

cases of varioloid have appeared on board. The National Board of Health reports on small-pox as follows: Week ending February 18, one death in San Francisco. Week ending February 25, twenty-one cases and four deaths in Rich-mond. Va.; one case in Youngstown, Oblo; one case in Milwaukee, Wis.; one case and one death in Fon du Lac, Wis.

VANCEBURG, ME., March 1.—The is much excite ment here over a case of smallpox at 8t. Croix, NB., across the river, to which more than one hundred operatives have been exposed. Every on who could get accommodation this side of thriver has left St. Croix, and to-night all the bridge are guarded and no one is allowed to cross. War rants are out for the arrest of some half dozen per sons who persisted in crossing in spite of the of ficers.

PHILADELPHIA, March 1.—The counsel for Thomas A. McDevitt, one of the defendants in the criminal star-route suits, asked Judge Butler to-

criminal star-route suits, asked Judge Butter to-day to grant a continuance of the case, stating that he had received information to the effect that the criminal suits among the star-route cases were to be abandoned, or at least not to be called upon during the current term. District Attorney Valentino opposed the motion, but Judge Butter said he would hear counsel on the subject to-morrow morning, and if it could be shown that defendant's counsel had received information that caused him to believe the case would be abandoned the Court would grant a continuance.

Watching Skobeleff.

VIENNA, March 1.—Two Austrian detectives were ordered to watch Generol Skobeleff from the coment of his arriving at the frontier. His stay ere was almost unnoticed. In conversation with journalist General Skobeleff said he falled to

A Masonic Analycesary.

Philadeliphia, March L.—The Grand Masonic Lodge of Pennsylvanis will celebrate the one hundredth and fiftieth anniversary of Isocsanization on the 24th of June next. Delegations from all communicating grand lodges, both in this country and abroad, are expected, and everything possible will be done to render the event an honor to the fraternity of this city and state.

The Banquet to Mr. Walker. Rosse, March 1.—At the banquet given this even-ing in honor of Mr. Walker, the United States con-sul-general at Paris and delegate to the Monetary Conference, Signor Minghetti, in proposing the health of Mr. Walker, set forth the present stage of the bimetallic question. Mr. Walker laid stress upon the necessity of restoring the value of silver.

The Royal Areanum. Elmira, N. Y., March 1.—At the grand banquet given by the Southern Tier Councils to the delegates to the grand council of the Royal Areanum at the Rathbun House last evening nearly two hundred sat down. The election of officers will take place this afternoon.

TRENTON, N. J., March 1 .- The bill authorigin the Central Railroad Company to increase its cap tal stock passed the house to-day over the Gov srnor's veto. The bil has now passed but branches of the Legislature over the veto.

TELEGRAPHIC TWISTINGS.

-General Skobeleffarrived in Vienna Wednesda vening, and started for St. Petersburg at once. -The report of the outrage and murder of a young of-teacher near Salem, Adams County Ind., in false.

—The report that Judge Binglam, United States Minister to Tokio, was about to take office under the Japanese Government is scale denied to Japan. -Hon. John S. Newman, an old and prominen ison of indians, died auddenly Wednesday morn g. He was for many years president of the Indian

-At the commencement of the Maryland Univer sity School of Medicine Wednesday, in the Acades of Music, sevenity-six young grutiemen received plomas of Dontor of Medicine.

SOCIAL INCIDENTS.

INTERESTING PERSONAL MENTION.

Receptions of the Cabinet Ladies and Others-Notes About Distinguished Prople-Grand Dinner to Ex-Senator Sargent, of California.

There was the usual Wednesday reception yes There was the usual Wednesday recention yea-terday, though with less than the usual formality, at the residence of the Secretary of State. The pariors being at no time crowded, those who were fortunate enough to be of the number who called enjoyed more personal attention from their dis-tinguished hostesses than is possible to the usual throng on Cabinet-Isalies' day. Miss Folger, daughter of the Secretary of the

Alise Folger, daughter of the Secretary of the Treasury, was at home from two till five at 1206 Eighteenth street, and was assisted by Mrs. Crowninshield, and also by Mrs. Judge Andrews, of Syncuse and Albany, the wife of Secretary Folger's successor as chief judge of the Court of Appeals, New York. Mrs. Andrews, a charming and accomplished lady, is an intimate friend of Miss Folger, and for several seasons at Albany the two families have shared the same winter residence. Miss Foot and Miss Gardiner, of New York, are still guests of Miss Folger, and of New York, are still guests of Miss Folger, and were among the callers yesterday at the house of the Secretary of State. Mrs. Senator Voorhees and Mrs. Senator Sherman were also making these Cabinet cails. It is regarded as a very smiable courtesy on the part of the two leading Cabinet families to continue their Wednesday receptions during Lent, as so many strangers cutified to con-sideration are still sojourning and arriving in the city, to whom the opportunity of paying their respects is a privilege highly appreciated. Miss folger, though a lady of fine social endowments and tastes, has denied herself of participation in dinner parties and evening receptions this winter, the better to meet her home obligations, and her-friends will be happy to know that she has materially gained to beath by residence in the mild clients not in health by residence in this mild climate, not withstanding the exactions upon the strength of a Cabinet heatess whose Wednesdays are so charming. She has dired as a guest only at the Executive Mansion since her coming to Washington. The Wednesday evenings of Mrs. Hunt and the Thursday evenings of Mrs. Frelinghuysen are pleasures enjoyed during Lent by the circle of i

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The statement that the President had endeavored, but was unable on account of the previous
demand, to secure a box at the opers on a certain
evening of this week was invented and circulated
among ticket-buyers as a clever advertising doilge,
and had accommodation in feat. The President and had no foundation in fact. The President signified no wish whatever to engage seats for the opera, least of all on the evening of the day consecrated to the memorial services of his prede-cessor. Of the same character is the news item which is going the rounds of the papers that the President has rented a cottage at Long Branch for the coming season. He has made no plans to that

effect.
It seems scarcely necessary to correct the absurd statement floating in print, from some irrespon-sible source, that Attorney-General Brewster wears a white velvet coat at dinner parties; but since by inadvertence it was given publicity in the quoted matter of this column, its correction is but

proper and is cheerfully given.
Senator Warner Miller, in returning from New York Saturday, was accompanied to his home by Mrs. Vrooman, of Herkimer, now of Albany, the wife of the clerk of the New York Legislature, who served for four years in this capacity when that body was Republican, and by a union of the Tam-many Democratic members with the Republicans to break the late deadlock is now again elected to that office. Mrs. Vrooman, who has once before visited Mrs. Miller at Washington and will be pleasantly remembered, was present with Mrs. Miller in the gallery Monday at the memorial

Colonel O. J. Averill, formerly of New York, who will be recollected as having been so alarmingly ill of Bright's disease in this city three years ago, has revisited Washington from two years' residence for his health in Salt Lake City, and is looking a well man again, quite his old, genial self. Mrs. Colonel J. B. Brownlow left the city vesterday to visit her parents at Knoxville, Tenn.

A dinner was given last evening at Welcker's to Hon. A. A. Sargent, the new Minister to Berlin, by ek-Senator John H. Mitchell.- The pathering was a notable one, and the occasion was a graceful recognition of an honor which had been filly bestowed. The entire suite of rooms was occupied and the tables were elaborately ornamented with er's happiest efforts, and full justice was done to it. The menu cards were of elegant design, printed on heavy card-board, and the type-work elicited general comment. They bore the imprint of THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN. Among those present were Mr. Speaker Keifer, Mr. Justice Field, Secretary Kirkwood, Postmaster-General Howe, Assistant Secretary New, Senators Miller of California, Hill of Colorado, Farley, Jones of Nevada, Fair, Dawes, Ferry, Sherman, Grover, Siater, Morgan, Representatives Hiscock, McKinley, Le Feyre, Orth, Hubbell, Butterworth, George, Knott, Hazelton, McGinnis, Belford, Pound, Pettigrew, Page, Strait, and Cassidy, Thomas H. Brents, General John S. Gordon.

sidy, Thomas H. Brents, General John B. Gordon, M. E. Post, George Ainslee, Frank Hatton, First Assistant Postmaster-General; George H. Will-lams, Thomas Murphy, W. W. Upton, James B. iams, Anomas Surphy, W. W. Opton, James B. Montgomery, J. B. Shannon, E. B. Curtis, George C. Gorham, Phillip Ritz, Richard A. Elmer, S. cond Assistant Postmaster-General; Elisha H. Allen, John R. McBride, General R. C. Drum, Major Ben: Perley Poore, Colonel Robert J. Stevens, Colonel J. A. Nunes, Colonel I. L. Tichenor, Captain John A. Mullan, D. R. McKee, Stilson Hutchims, Ben Holladay, George W. Adams, H. H. Hutchims, Ben Holladay, George W. Adams, H. H. Intehins, Ben Holladay, George W. Adams, H. H. Giffy, A. C. Buell, G. M. Haller, W. Scott Smith, D. D. Lloyd, J. F. Tichenor, H. T. Crosby, Ben Holladay, Jr., and Norris Peters.

Captain James B. Eads entertained a distinmished company at dinner at Wormley's last evening. The table was laid in the west parlor and the menu and service were fully up to the high standard Wormley always attains in these matters. There were a number of most happy post-prandial efforts, and the company lingered late over their coffee and eigans. Among thospresent were M. de Zamacons, Vice-Presiden (pro tempore) Davis, Senator Conger, Senator Sawver, Justice Fields, Justice Matthews, Justice Mil ler, Governor Porter, Admiral Murray, Secretary Lincoln, Mr. Potts, Mr. Cook, the Spanish Minis-ter, the Gorman Minister, Hon. George C. Gorham, Senator Allison, and Senator Voorhees.

Shot and Milled in Prison. BALTIMORE, March 1 .- This afternoon Robert Tay or, a colored convict in the Maryland penite tlary, was shot and killed by Prison Officer James Byrne. Taylor was employed in the foundry and was told by the foreman to go on another floor and make a casting in piace of one he destroyed yesterday. He paid no attention to the foreman, when Byrne repeated the order. Taylor replied set that he would not go on the other floor, and made an assault on Byrne, when the latter fired. Taylor grappled with the officer, and Mr. Thorne, the foreman, separated them. Taylor than ran for Thorne, but the latter escaped, and he restremed to the assault upon Byrne, who fired two more shots, at the last of which Taylor fell and filed within an hour. A jury of inquest rendered a verdict that the killing was in self-defense. Taylor was a powerful man, and at times very hard to manage. was told by the foreman to go on another floor and

CHARLESTON, S. C., March 1.—The funeral ser-vices of the late Bishop Lynch were held to-day at the Cathedral chapel, two archbishops, six bishops, and about twenty priests being present. bishops, and about twenty priests being present. Archbishop Corrigan, of New York, presided at the chanting of lauds and matins, and Archbishop Gibbous was celebrant at the solemn requien mass which followed. The church was deusely crowded. No funeral sermon was preached. This was in accordance with the wish of the deceased Bishop. Prominen citizens, without distinction of creed, attended the funeral. The city bell tolled all day and the bell of St. Michael's Church at intervals. The mourning for the dead prelate is as sincere as it is general.

Wednesday's Nominations.

The President sent the following nominations of the Senate yesterday: L. L. Lewis, United States to the Senate yesterday: L. L. Lewis, United States attorney for Essiern District of Virginia; Philip T. Van Zile, of Michigan, United States attorney for Territory of Utah; William H. Chase, justice of the peace for District of Columbia; James, M. Tarbie, collector of customs for the District of Pensscola, Fla.; William F. Benjamin, to be register of the land office at Roscourg, Oregon; Assistant Naval Constructor William H. Varney to be a mayal constructor. Postmasters—Alfred W. Converse, at Windsor Look, Conn.; Matthew P. Rue, Norfolk, Va.; Mary E. Wiley, Huntsville, Texas; Fredorick C. Humhreys, Pensacola, Fla.; George M. Wise, Bellaire, Ohio.

A Pigeon-Shooting Match. London, March L.—At Nettingham in a pigeom-shooting match to-day, fifty pigeons a side, for a make of 2002. Dr. Carver, the American, shot and killed 38 birds and Mr. Websier 20. NEARLY TEN MILLIONS

WASHINGTON, D. C., THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 2, 1882.

Decrease of the Public Debt During the Month of February. The following is a recapitulation of the state-ment of the public debt of the United States for the month of February, 1882: sterest-bearing debt-Blonds at 6 per cent, continued at 20g \$129,473,960 G Bonds at 5 per cent, continued at 25,

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1852.

Imports and Exports, The Chief of the Bureau of Statistics in his seventh monthly statement for the current fiscal year of the imports and exports of the United states, says the excess of merchandise was as fol-

Month ended January 31, 1881, (excess of the ports and the court of Claims, at a new femous condition of the creditors of the defunct Freedman's Bank. Comptroses of imports.

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Proposed Change in the Mouse Rules, The House Committee our rules have for some time been engaged in the consideration of some plan by which the present rules of the House may be simplified, so as to permit the majority of the House to control its business. As it is now all bills, after being finally reported to the House from he committees having them in charge, are placed upon one or other of the three calendars, the private, the House calendar, and the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union. The private, the House calendar, and the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union. The last two calendars, containing all private business, are now so overburdened that it is next to a hopeless task to reach any business upon them. Write the House undertakes to do only a selection of its business, it is, under the present rules, powerless to make that selection. Representative Reed, from the Committee on Rules, made a report to the House to-day embodying recommendations of the committee, by the adoption of which they expect to relieve the House of this embarrassment. The committee propose to devote the morning hour, which may be sixty minutes or the entire day—if the House shall so order—to the consideration and passage of such bills as they may select from those which the committee may choose—when called on—the bills to be those which are already on or would be placed on the private calendar. The committee also propose to give the House, when it goes into Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, the right to select the bill which it will consider. It is believed that this system, if adopted, will enable the majority of the House at all times to control its business.

Wanted His Hend Cut Off. Boston, Mars., March 1.—The will of Charles Albert Read, lately deceased, of Newton, Mass., gives \$50,000 to the Treasurer of the United States. to be applied to the reduction of the war debt; to the attending physician of the testator \$500 was given on a condition expressed as follows: "That my head is severed from my body, as I have a great horror of being buried alive."

CAPITAL JOTTINGS.

THOMAS SLOANE, of New York, Is at the Ebblit. V. T. Batley, of Camden, N. J., is a guest at WI

Entranco Ducorno, of Mexico, has apartments at J. W. Bosler, of Pennsylvania, is quartered at

E. J. PENNYPACKER, of North Carolina, is located CHARLES E. WHITEHEAD and wife have parlors a

Wormley's.

John R. Dos Passos, the celebrated New York lawyer, is at the Arlington. HENRY F. Hown, of Biston, and A. P. Blunt, U. S. L., are registered at the Ebbitt. GEORGE HEARD and wife, of Oil City, Pa., are among the guests at the Arlington.

A. T. Messman, of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, is stopping at the Ebblit.

M. C. Blaine, of Indianapolis, and J. M. Graff, of New York, have taken rooms at the Riggs. HON. RASTUS S. RANSOM former law partner of resident Arthur, has secured rooms at Willard's. How, B. F. Jursson and Judge C.S. Lester, of Saratoga, N. Y., are among the recent arrivals at Wil-

lard's.

Hantly Lond, of Beston; W. L. Nugent, of Mississippi, and H. W. Stout, of Nebruska, are stopping at the Arthugton.

Di. H. A. Potten, from Chicago, is spending a few days with her nephew, Malcoim M. Moore, 2018 H. street northwest

M. J. Dady, W. H. Layeraft, W. H. Heard, William Allison, Jacob Worth, and Henry Dawson, jr., promi-nent Brooklyn politicians, are registered at Willard's. THE receipts from internal revenue Tuesday were [26, 311.33, and from customs, \$747,751.59. The na-ional bank-notes received for redemption amounted

eld the office of First Comptrofler of the Treasury, reld a reception yesterday in the office of Assistant Ex-Governson and Star, Contex, of Georgia, are t the Metropolitan. Governor Conley is postmaster t Atlanta, and is deservedly one of the wost popular

uen in the State.

THE House Committee on Public Buildings and

ounds have agreed to report favorably to the use the Senate bill for the erection of a hall of ords in this city. THE charge d'affaires of the Japanese legation rave a stag dinner party at the legation, No. 1310 N

treet, last night, at which a large number of pron-nent gentlemen were present.

Mr. Sillas J. Hover, sultor of the Salurday Auril, and for many years connected with different nows-papers in this city, has received an appointment as a \$1,000 clerk in the Indian Bureau. CAPTAIN W. H. PETTIT. of Atlants, Idaho Terricary, is stopping at Willard's. The Captain is an applicant for the surveyor-general-ship of Idaho, He is strongly backed by all the Pacific Stope members and

THE quaint, handsome, and able Isaac Bromle elf known in New York journalism, is with his wife the kibitt House. The President took them out his carriage yesterday and showed them our equiful city. HON, W. P. CANADAY, of Wilmington, N. C., editor

of the Wilmington Dully Post, is a guest at the Risga. He reports the Independent movement in the Tar-licel State on the boom. Coloned Canaday is one of the most active Republicans in his State. ACCURDING to the act of Congress recently passed, Postmaster-denoral Howe has delegated to the Third Assistant Postmaster-General the authority to sign the warrants for the payment of money from the Treasury to meet the expenses of the postal service.

Colonne, Frank P. Cavanar, of Halley, Idaho, a wealthy miner, is stopping at Willard's. He gives most encouraging accounts of the rapid development of the mining interest of that Territory, He says there is "millions to it," but hard work has to bring In the resignation of M. A. B. Newcomb, special agent of the Department of Justice, an officer of twenty years experience, the Government loses a faithful and effection opens. It is said that a Mr. Tidball, exspecial agent of the Post-Office Department, has been appointed in his place.

In the notice of the opera of "Aida" in yesterday's Puel Signor Campanini was credited with having song the part of Randones, limited of signor Eavellt, who was indisposed. The Critic fiell into the same error. By reference to This Randonian it will be seen that the gentleman who made such an excellent substitute for the artist advertised was Signor Entered.

A LOCAL BUDGET

BY "THE REPUBLICAN" REPORTERS.

News of Every Shade Gleaned from All Parts of the District by Highly Talented and Industrious Young Men of the Local Corps.

the Corrugated Steel Company of New Berlin, Mass, to creet the proposed free bridge over the Potomac, near the Three Sisters, was received yea-terday by General Wright, the chief of the Army Engineer Corps. The report has not yet been read by General Wright. It is understood that the re-port recommends the non-acceptance of the pro-posal. This action is based on the opinion that the structure as described in the proposal would not be satisfactory. The same company have sub-mitted proposals before, which were

nitted proposals before, which were
REJECTED ON THE SAME GROUND.

The new proposals were simply modifications of
those previously submitted. Proposals have been
submitted from other parties, but none have come submitted from other parties, but none have come within the \$125,000 appropriated for the creetion of the bridge. The rejection of the proposal of the Corngated Steel Company will bring the entire matter to a standstill. It is probable that General Wright will recommend that a report of these facts be submitted to Congress for their action. It is thought that it will be impossible to erect a bridge of the character that is needed at that point for the sum named, and an additional amount will have to be appropriated. THE DELAY IN THE MATTER

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It doing so, but the character of the work proposed to be done does not meet with the approval of the army engineers. The main difficulty in the estimates is with the cost of the piors, which, the the United see was as followed by the contract of the United see was as followed by the contract of the United see was as followed by the contract of the United see was as followed by the contract of the United see was as followed by the contract of the United see was as followed by the action of the United see was as followed by the action of the United See was as followed by the action of the United See was as followed by the action of the United See was as followed by the action of the See of the Contract of the United See was as followed by the action of the See of the Contract of the United See was as followed by the contract of the See of the Contract of the United See of the United See of the Contract of the United See of the United See of the Contract of the United See of the United See

States, says the excess of the states of the excess of the states of the excess of the troller Knox, who has jurisdiction in the matter, has declined an offer of \$25,000 in cash for the property, and believes that the United States should own it. The property fronts 186 feet 10 luches on Pennsylvania avenue, opposite the north front of the Treasury, and 135 feet on the front booking toward Lafayette Square, the ground aggregating 23,121 square feet of ground. Every one knows how handsomely a part of the Pennsylvania avenue front is improved by the great Squares and some building, which is now oc-

ground aggregating 2s, 121 square review growth aggregat Seneck sands how handsomely a part of the Pennsylvania avenue front is improved by the great Seneca sandsome building, which is now occupied by the officials mentioned above. Five times bills have passed the Senate for the purchase of this property (which the Government should own), and every year it has been officially recommended that it should be purchased. The present rental of \$20,000 per annum is an interest of about 5 per cent, on the whole amount asked for the purchase of the property, while the premises occupied for which the rent is paid covers only about one-quarier of the property which the appropriation will purchase. If this purchase is made by the United States, Comptroller Knox will be able to pay the creditors of the Preedman's Bank an additional 20 per cent, dividend, making about 60 per cent, in all. The Twining Plan Adopted. The report of the board of army engineers on the plan for the reclamation of the Potomac Flats

was received yesterday from New York by General Wright, the chief of engineers. After reading the eport and the recommendations contained herein General Wright has decided to approve of the plan recommended by the board, and will transmit the report, with his indorsement, to the Secretary of War. The report of the board will be given in full to the press to-day. It recommends the adoption of substantially the same plan which was submitted by Major Twining, and contains no new features. THE MAXIMUM ANOUNT BEQUIRED

the maximum amount required to carry out the plan is \$2,500,000, but the report states that with several modifications it can be carried out with a less expense. For instance, the wall which is to surround the flats can be reduced in height and made of cheaper materials. Then in the filling up of the flats the report recommends that two or three lakes can be made, which can be used for flushing out the channel, and also for ornamental purposes. The report gives the estimates of the cost in these several modifications of the class and aims to lay before Congress complete information on the subject, leaving to their discretion the amount to be appropriated. The report will be at once transmitted to congress, and it is expected that early action will be taken so that the work can begin this spring. The subject of the Long Bridge is touched upon incidentally in the report, but in removal is not a part of the plan. The wall inclosing the flats will be extended above the bridge.

The regular weekly meeting of the directors of he National Fair Association was held at the National Hotel has evening, there being a full at-tendance of the board present—Mr. James B. Edwards, chairman, and Joseph C. Rock, secretary. Mr. William R. Smith, from the committee on exribitions, reported favorable progress in reference to the details of the proposed fair to be held dur ng the coming fall. Assurances had been given he committee by several manufacturing firms of other cities that fine exhibits would be made, and section was taken increasing the committee and authorizing the preparation of a catalogue of premiums and classifying the departments of exhibit, John W. Garrett, of the Baltimore and Ohio Italiroad, has signified his intention to aid the association in their efforts to make the fair a grand success. Mr. William Dickson, of the committee on rinning races, reported the action of the National Jockey Club in preparing a complete and satisfactory programme of races for the spring meeting in May, the amount of purses to be given amounting to \$7.09. General McKibben presented a statement relative to the general improvement of the grounds and placing a portion of the grounds under cultivation. His recommendations were adopted. The chairman was authorized to scure permanent rooms and headquarters, to be jointly occupied by the Fair Association and the National Jockey Club. After the transaction of a number of minor matters the meeting adaction was taken increasing the committee and

Odd-Fellows' Auniversory.

The thirty-ninth auniversary of the introduction f the Grand United Order of Odd-Fellows in of the Grand United Order Asbury M. E. Church America was celebrated at Asbury M. E. Church hast evening. The programme for the occasion was as follows: Organ voluntary, Miss E. V. Wood, anthem, "Make a Joyful Noise;" prayer by Rev. Mr. Payne; authem, "Let Every Hoart Rejoice;" introductory remarks by P. G. M. Benjamin McCoy; quartette, "Rock of Ages;" soh, "A Leaf from the Spray;" address, "The Order, and Its Tendencies," by P. G. M. T. H. Wright; "duet, "Hope Beyond;" address, "The Order, its Advantages and Benefits, by P. G. M. J. W. Cromwell; chorus, "Arise and Shine;" after which followed a collection for the benefit of the church. The ceremonies were concluded by the ode and closing rites of the order and the bone-diction. The church was crowded by a most appreciative audience, comprising the colored lodges of the city and their friends, and the addresses were listened to with a high degree of interest. The music of the occasion was most artistically rendered by the colors of the church under the direction of Professor Thomas P. Bell.

The Loyal Leglon Bluner. America was celebrated at Asbury M. E. Church

The regular mouthly meeting of the Com-mandery of the Loyal Legion of America for the District of Columbia was held at the Arlington last evening. After the transaction of the usual routine business, during which sixteen new members were admitted to the ordor, the commandery adjourned to the main dining hall of the hotel, where a sumptions banquet was spread, to which the assemblage, who numbered upward of fifty, did ample justice. Among those present were General Miller, Admiral Jenkins, ex-forvering Curtin, Colonel Bockwell, General Swain, General Card, General Benet, Major-Black, General Cuits, General Baird, Colonel Waltomore, Major-Forsyth, Commander Fevans, Commander Howison, General City, General Masey, and General Cristy, General Masey, and General Cristy. General Miller, admirating General Hancock, the commander-in-citief of the order, at a special reception to be held carly in May. rs were admitted to the order, the comman

A case showing to what an extent some people will avail themselves of a quibble and invoke the law was argued in the Ground Court before Justice MacArthur yesterday. In 1884 Elisabeth Cushman MacArthur yesterday. In 1884 Elizabeth Cushman died, leaving 50 shares in the Franklin Insurance Company, no letters of administration being taken out. The dividend on the stock were regularly paid every six months to her daughters. When the last daughter died letters of administration were taken out, and the administrator stied the company for the dividend wrongfully paid. Justice MacArthur said that although the money had been illegally paid yet the parties who derives the benefit from it were the rightful heirs, and directed the jury to find a verdiet for the company.

ROWELL STILL AHEAD.

Haznel and Hughes Closely After Him Hart Lagging.

New York, March L.—Howell returned to the track at 11:25, after a rest of two hours and ter minutes, at which time Hazari's score was \$41' miles. Rowell immediately fell in behind Hazar and the two stuck together for several laps. Ha zael went off at 11:32 and returned at 11:35. At 11:50 Sullivan, Fitzgerald, and Hart were close together, each having 313 miles, and Sullivan leading by three laps. At mid-Sullivan teating by three laps. At midnight Hughes, Fitzgerald, and Hart were resting,
the latter having gone off the track at 1152. The
midnight score for the swenty-second hour closting the third day and dividing the race in the
middle, was as follows: Rowell 559. Novemac 284,
Sullivan 214. Fitzgerald 313, Hazzel 342. Hughes
331, Hart 313. An analysis of the midnight score
shows that Rowell has made 24 miles and 6 faps
during the third twenty-four hours. Novemac
Sitzgenies: Sullivan, 29 miles and 2 laps: Fitzgerald, 102 miles; Hazzel, 162 miles and
1 lap; Hughes, 60 miles and 4 laps: Hart,
25 miles and 1 lap. As will be seen by
the figures the men were all ahead of their own
previous three days records. Rowell beating his
own best record by about fourteen miles. He was
leading Hazzel by H miles and Hughes by 22
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I a. m.—Score—Rowell, 357; Novemer, 285; Sullivan, 315; Fittgerald, 332; Hazael, 345; Hugher, 231; Hart, 343. After an absence of seven minutes Hughes started once more. Fitzgerald, after encying a three hours' rest, resumed his walk at 1.15. After one hap he broke into an unexinty run. At 1.17 Rowell went into his cottage. After two laps, with the greatest possible disconnor, at 157, Hughes again turned in. Rowell and Noremac were the only men on the track, the latter as fresh as on Sunday. Promuly at one ordered Hughes came out of his quarters looking like a ghost in a long white garment and walking as though each step would be his last. On reaching the score-board he eagerly looked over the various records to see what had been done in his absence. He had been off the tasek two hours and thirty-nite minutes.

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The half-past one'a, m, score: Rowell 358, Noremoc 257, 2011/vsn 315, Pitagerald 313, Hasnel 343, Hughes 352, Hart 513,

At two criock Noremac, Fitzgerald, and Hughes were on the track. The score stood: Rowell 328, Noremac 259, Sullivian 315, Fitzgerald 315, Hazael 315, Hughes 334, Hart 513.

Secretary Folger's Order.

Secretary Folger has made an order distributing the work of the Secretary's office as follows: Assist-ant Secretary John C. New, the general superant Secretary John C. New, the general supervision of all the work herein assigned to the divisions of appointments, warrants, estimates, and
appropriations, public moneys, stationery, printing and bianks, loans and entrency. Bareau, of
Engraving and Printing, and effice of the Director of the Mint; the signing of all letters and
papers as Assistant Secretary, or "by the order of
the Secretary," relating to the bustness of the foregoing divisions and bureaus that do not by law
require the signature of the Secretary of the
Treasury; the performance of such other duties
as may be pre-cribed by the Secretary or by law.
Assistant Secretary E. F. French, the general
supervision of all the work herein assigned to the
division of customs, revenue marine, special
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the offices of Supervising Architect, Supervising
Surgeon-General of Marine Hospitals, Bureau of
Statistics, and Supervising Inspector-General of
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Criminal Court Clippings. ision of all the work herein assigned to the divi-

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Justice Cox overruled the motion for a new trial
in the case of Martin J. Casey, convicted of an assault with intent to kill Martin A. Bergevin, and
sentenced the prisoner to four years hard inbor at
Auburn penitentiary. The case will be appealed
to the Court in Bane on a bill of exceptions, so exceution of the sentence was suspended until after
the case had been settled in the court above.

Justus Schmidt, alias Augustus Smith, aged
thirty, a decent-appearing white man, was in the
dock yesterday, charged with an attempt to commit rape on a little white girl named Mary C.
Myers, about ten years old. The evidence showed
that on the 6th of has November the little girl was
in the arsenal grounds, having charge of a buby,
when the defendant came up to her, took hold of
her and put his hand underneath her glothes.
When she cried out the defendant let her go and
offered her two cents not to say anything about
the matter. The prisoner was placed on the stand
and admitted taking hold of the girl and taking
to her, but denied that he attempted to take any
improper fiberties with her. The jury rendered a
verdict of guilty. Notice of a motion for a new
trial was entered.

ARMY AND NAVY NEWS.

Commander Henry L. Howison is living at No. 013 Fifteenth street.

Professor John R. Soley was here Tuesday from

The Saratoga will be ready for sea service about the last of this mouth. Commander Francis J. Higginson was here last

Monday from Baltimore.
The United States man-of-war Richmond has rrived at Yokohama, Japan. All are well on Master Charles H. Lyeth, who is under orders to dn the Lackawanna, on the Pacific station, was

The arrival of the flagship Brooklyn, at Montedeo, Urugnay, January 25, is reported at the avy Department. The United States steamer Enterprise, Scheper

commanding, sailed from Port Royal Wednesday for the West Indies.

The Wachusett, Commander Henry Glass, was Esquimault, British Columbia, February 11, route to Sitka to resume station. Second Lieutenaut Henry Whiting, of the Marines, has been granted an extension of leave of absence for thirty days from March 6. Mr. Dezendorf, of Virginia, introduced a bill in

the House appropriating \$500,000 for the purchase of moveable torpedocs by the Secretary of the Lieutenant Henry Whiting, Marine Corps, and The Army Mutual Aid Association numbered

to members February 25, which will allow bene-charles the full amount allowed by the constitu-ion of the association, \$2,500.
Lientenant Philip H. Sheridau, who arrived here last Saturday night from Chicago to attend the Garneld memorial service, left here Tuesday evening for Chicago via New York. General Oliver O. Howard, the superintendent at

West Point, who arrived here Saturday to attend the Garffeld memorial services, was a guest at Howard University during his stay. The Brooklyn, Captain Aaron W. Weaver, arived at Montevideo January 26, forty-nine days ut from New York, without touching at any in-grandlate port. A remarkably quick passage. Commodore Charles H. Baldwin returned to Washington Tuesday night from an inspection trip South on lighthouse work, and turned up at the Navy Department yesterday full of explana-tions of how he enjoyed the Mardi Gras at New

to meet at Philadelphia, for the purpose of examining candidates for admission and promotion in the medical corps of the navy. The board is com-posed as follows: Medical director, Edward C. Shippen; medical impectors, John C. Spear and Archibald C. Khoades, and surgeon Thomas N. Penrose. The last natised is made recorder.

and crawswere trainsf-rred. The Sheinstdesin, Cap-tain William A. Kirkland, will cruise along the Windward Islands and to Cartagena, and thence to Aspinwall, whereahe will await orders from the Nayy Department.

— General Winfield Scott Hancock, who arrived

General Winfield Scott Hancock, who strived been flightly his parties who derives the benefit from it were the rightful heirs, and directed the jury to find a verdict for the company.

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Up to the close of business Wednesday the Treasury Department had redeemed United State help with the second and the State of the close of business Wednesday the State of the close of the close of business Wednesday the State of the close of business Wednesday the State of the close of business Wednesday the State of the close of business State of the close of business State of the close of business State of the close of the close of the close of business State of the close of

CHOICE CHIPS

FROM OUR CAPITOL COLLECTION.

What Was Done by the Various Committees of the Senate and House Yesterday-Still Maping Out Legislation for the

Mr. Springer, of Illinois, introduced a joint resoution in the House for the payment of a portlon of the Virginia indemnity foud to the mother of leneral Ryan. The senate Committee on Foreign Relations has

agreed to report back the nomination of ex-Sena-tor Sargent as Minister to Berlin, with a recom-mendation that it be confirmed. Ex-Representative Hegan, of St. Louis, made an argument before the House Committee on Coinege, Weights, and Measures y-storday morning its layer of the establishment of a mint at St. Louis.

The House Committee on Ways and Means has agreed not to insist upon the consideration by the

louse of the tariff-commission bill until after the minediate deflerency appropriation has been Mr. Pound, of Wisconsin, on Wednesday intro-Mr. Penns, of Wisconsin, on Weinesday intro-duced & bill in the House to establish a board of review of pension and bonuty land warrant claims, which have been disallowed and to prevent fronds in the granting of pensions.

The House Committee on Military Affairs had

under consideration yesterday morning the sub-ject of retirements in the army. Major-teneral Hamcock came before the committee and gave his views, and teneral Sterman absolute in the day. The manufacturers and dealers in glucuse are preparing to resist the passage of the bill to tax

preparing to resist the passage of the bill to tax and regulate its manufacture and sale. They will send a delegation to Washington to look after their interests, and the committee have assigned Wednesday next for a hearing upon the subject.

The House Committee on Education and Labor have decided to make an adverse report to the House upon the bill which had been reterred to them providing for the disposition, of unclaimed learnty money due calored soldiers by applying it to the support of certain colored institutions in the South.

we see the haine of Jajor Richard F. Walker mentioned as among the probable candidates for Government Printer at Washington when Mr. Defrees resigns. If Major Walker carries into that office the honest and economical administration that has marked his career as State printer of Virginia we will have heard the last of charges of extravagance and fraud in the national printing.—Standard Vindicator.

The House Committee on Mines and Mining have accord record for the House appearance and support of the House appearance of the House of the House appearance of the House of the House appearance of the House appearance of the House of the House appearance of the House of the House appearance of the House appearance of the House of

The House Committee on Mines and Mining have agreed to report to the House a substitute for the bill which ex cindes Alabama from the provisions of the act which allows certain mineral lands to be disposed of as agricultural lands. The substitute proposes to include Alabama in the operation of the act. The committee also agreed to report to the House favorably a bill to prevent any but the owner of a mining chaim from cutting timber on said claim.

The Senate Committee on Province by The Senate Committee on Pensions has ap-

pointed a subcommittee consisting of Senators Teller, Flatt, and Jackson, who with Representatives Brown, Rice, and McMillin, of the House Committee on Invalid Pensions, are to confer with the Adjutant-General and Surgeon-General of the army and the Commissioner of Pensions, with a view to recommending some method of expedit-ing the adjudication of pension claims now await-ing settlement in the Pension Office.

Criminal Court Clippings.

In the Criminal Court yesterday Richard Wood was found guilty of the larceny or money from Michael Nolan. Margaret Wood, indicted on the same charge, was found not guilty, and released from durance vile.

Justice Cox overruled the motion for a new trial in the case of Martin J. Casey, convicted of an assault with intent to kill Martin A. Bergevin, and sentenced the prisoner to four years hard labor at Auburn penitentiary. The case will be appealed and the prisoner to four years hard labor at Auburn penitentiary. The case will be appealed ways and Means were in session several hours on Ways and Means were in session several hours on Wednesday to hear arguments from parties inter-Wednesday to hear arguments from parties interested in various bills pending before the commit-

ested in various bills pending before the committee affecting internal revenue taxation. Paul
Bechtner, of Milwaukee, and James Cushing, of
Dubuque, on behalf of the Vinegar Maker's Assoclation of the United States, made arguments it
oppsition to Representative Carlisle's bill, which
proposes to repeal the law authorizing the manufacture of vinegar by the alcoholic vaporing process. Arguments were made in the interest of the
manufacturers of artificial wines, mineral waters,
de. Mr. Snyder, representing the firm of Werner& Co., of New York, opposed the bill introduced in
the House Committee on Foreign Relations
gave a hearing Wednesday night, at the residence
of Representative Kasson, to Captain S. M. Phelps gave a hearing Wodnesday night, at the residence of Representative Kasson, to Captain S. M. Phelps in advocacy of the bill introduced in the Senate by Mr. Miler, of California, and afterward in the House by Representative Reservants to incorporate the Nicaragian Maritime Ship Canal Company, Captain Phelps claimed that official surveys made by Government officers showed that the preject was entirely foresthie, and adduced comparisons, based on actual tonnage, of the Suez Canal and the catmated tonnage which would gravitate to the new route intended to show that the canal would prove to be a profitable investment. He slao argued that if the annual tonnage of the canal was one million tous less than estimated by Mr. Nimme, chief of the Bureau of Statistics, it would still be sufficient to pay 3 par cent, on the capital invessed, this being the amount the Government is asked to guarantee to the shareholders.

General Sherman and Major-General Hancock

General Sherman and Major-General Hancock were before the House Committee on Military Affairs by invitation Wednesday. Several bills providing for the compulsory retirement of officers of the arms after they have reached a certain rige are now pending before the committee, and they desired to ascertain the views of prominent officers of the army before taking any decided action. An informal discussion of the subject was had, during which both General Shurman and General Hacecek expressed themselves in favor of compulsory retirement, but not as proposed by any of the pending bills. They thought cases might arise where officers of high rank would be able to to render valuable service beyond the period named for their retirement, and the application of an arbitrary rule in such cases would result in serious injury to the service. They favored a graduated scale as to rank and age, but did not offer singestions as to any definite plan. The subject will orobably occupy the attention of the committee for some time to come. fairs by invitation Wednesday. Several bills pro-

The bill introduced in the House by Representative Pound, "to establish a board of review of pension and bounty land-warrant claims rejected under existing laws, and to prevent fraud and injustice in the granting of pensions and bounty land warrants, provides for the erection of a board, to consist of three lawyers and one surgeon, to be appointed by the President for a term of four years, at a salary of \$4,000 per annum, who, with the Commissioner of Pensions, shall hear and determine all claims for pensiors or bounty land-warrants of the classes mentioned. It also authorizes the Commissioner of Pensions to detail from the clerks in his office not exceeding nine for each state, as examinery, empowered to administer oaths and take testimony, who shall facilitate the investigation of claims in their respective localities. The bill provides for the investigation of cases where there may be reason to suspect a pension has been fraudulently obtained, and prescribes penalties for giving any false testimony in any case under investigation by the board.

Mr. Kellogg introduced in the Senate on Wedunder existing laws, and to prevent fraud and in-

Mr. Kellogg introduced in the Senate on Wed-nesday a resolution for an appropriation for edu-

the Navy Department yesterilay fall of explanations of how he enjoyed the Mardi Grass at New Orleans.

Mr. Anthony offered in the Senate Wednesday a resolution calling for the reports, or such parts thereof of Commodore R. W. Shufekit, of his cruise around the world in the United States steamer Ticonderoga.

The Navy Register for 1882 is out at last. It includes, in addition to the usual information in the January Register, the list of officers below the rank of rear-admiral John C. Febiger was president, in 1881.

The Secretary of War has issued instructions to the officers in charge of the communicate at once with the commissioners appointed by Governor McEnary, so that the desired foller may be afforded to the sufficers by the floods in Louisiana with as litticelly as possible.

Commander silas Cassy, U. S. N., who recently returned from the European fleet, where he was in command of the Quinnebang, was in Washington this week on a brief visit, but has returned to Brooklyn. He is a brother of Colone! Thomas Jinicoln Casey, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., and of Mrs. Robert N. Sout, wife of Colone! Thomas Jinicoln Casey, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., and of Mrs. Robert N. Sout, wife of Colone! Thomas Jinicoln Casey, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., and of Mrs. Robert N. Sout, wife of Colone! South major Third Artillery.

A medical examining board has been appointed to meet at Philadelphia, for the purpose of examining candidates for admission and promotion in

Special Assistant District Attorney Ker, who has been sugaged, with five or six assistants, day and night for the pest week or so in prepar-ing indictments in the star-route cases already The Shenandoah, flag-ship of the South Atlantic station, had orders to sail for the United States a soon her relief arrived (the Brooklyn) and the flag souther relief arrived (the Brooklyn) and the flag seuted in open court during the present week.